

Stretch Challenge: Create a New Tax Band



During financial year 22/23 the Government raised £246.8 billion through income tax alone. In pairs, decide on a new tax band between the basic and higher rate and update the table below.

Band	Taxable Income	Tax Rate
Personal Allowance	Up to £12,570	0%
Basic Rate	£12,570 – (£)	20%
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Higher Rate	(£) – £125,140	40%
Additional Rate	Over £125,140	45%

Now research the salaries of a nurse, supermarket manager, pilot and two other professions. How would you change the tax bands and what impact would it have on their tax bill?

Job	Salary	Tax paid before	Tax paid after
Nurse			
Supermarket Manager			
Pilot			





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The Government also collects national insurance contributions from those employed and self-employed to help fund the pension and benefits systems in the UK. Just like our income tax, the amount we need to pay is determined by our gross salary, and we need to work out how much we are eligible for at each tax band.

Band	Taxable Income	National Insurance
Personal Allowance	Up to £12,570	0%
Basic Rate	£12,570 – £50,269	8%
Higher Rate	£50,270+	2%

How would paying national insurance impact the salaries you researched from page one of the stretch challenge.

Job	Salary	National Insurance required
Nurse		
Supermarket Manager		
Pilot		

